UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Amount sanctioned for the Kottayam Road.

1. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) what amount of money was sanctioned in the budget this year for the Kottayam road; and

(*b*) what proportion of money was availed of for the purpose ?

Mr. S. Sesha Aiyar: (*a*) and (*b*). It cannot be known what road is meant and so no answer can be given.

Schools within a radius of two and a half miles.

2. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any circular in force that new schools will not be sanctioned within a radius of two and a half miles from an existing school ;

(*b*) whether the department has made any exception to this rule ; and

(*c*) if so, under what conditions and in how many instances the exceptions have been made ?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in the light of the above answer.

(*c*) Do. Do.

Schools in the Municipal areas of Trivandrum, Quilon, Alleppey and Kottayam.

3. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many English and Vernacular middle and high schools have been in existence in the municipal areas of Trivandrum, Quilon, Alleppey and Kottayam ; and

(*b*) how many new schools have been sanctioned since 1936?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon: A *statement furnishing the details asked for is placed on the table.

Irrigation canal from Muthalakuzhi to Kollakadavu river.

4. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any petition from the owners of wet lands in Keecherry padom for the widening and deepening of the irrigation canal from Muthalakuzhi to Kollakadavu river ; and

(*b*) whether they are aware that the present condition of the canal makes it almost difficult for the farmers to cultivate their lands and that the owners of the paddy fields have expressed their willingness to meet half the cost ?

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Mr. S. Sesha Aiyar: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. The ryots have expressed their willingness only very recently.

School Final trained teachers.

5. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many of the 65 School Final trained teachers who were selected to positions in Government schools as notified in Government Gazette on the 4th Kumbhom 1113 have been so appointed; and

(*b*) if not, why no action has yet been taken in this matter?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon: (*a*) Seven advised but not appointed.

(*b*) Some of the estimated vacancies had been filled otherwise?

Co-operative Central Bank.

6. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Co-operative Central Bank has earned any net profit during the last five years; and

(*b*) if not, out of what fund are its current expenses met?

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao (*Registrar of Co-operative Societies*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) Current expenses of the Bank are met out of the interest collected.

Prisoners in the Central Jail.

7. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, regarding the general health of the prisoners in the Centrl Jail under the following heads:

(*a*) how many suffer from the disease:

(i) of the generative system;

(ii) of the digestive system such as dysentery, diarrhoea; and

(iii) of the skin such as scabies, ring-worm etc., and

(*b*) how many have lost weight since their incarceration?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: The statement is laid on the table.

Road connecting Haripad with Edathua.

8. **Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether any survey has been made for the construction of a road connecting Haripad with Edathua via Vijayapuram?

Mr. S. Sesha Aiyar: Yes.

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